THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

Writ Petition No.17824 of 2007

Dated: 23.08.2007

Between:

U.V.R.Raju

.... PETITIONER

AND

The APSRTC, rep.by its Regional Manager, West Godavari Region, at Eluru, W.G.District.

.....RESPONDENTS

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Order:

The petitioner was appointed as a Driver in the respondents-Corporation. While working as such, during periodic medical examination, the Medical Board, APSRTC, declared the petitioner medically unfit to hold the post of A-1 Driver due to defective eye vision, and on review petition submitted by the petitioner, once again he was examined by another Medical Board, which also opined that the petitioner is unfit for the post of A-1 Driver vide orders, dated 03.02.2007. Thereupon, the petitioner made a representation, dated 21.06.2007, under Section 47 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 (for short 'the Act'), requesting the 1st respondent, namely the Regional Manager, to provide alternative employment, but till date, no orders thereon have been passed. Hence, he filed the present writ petition.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents-APSRTC.

Since the representation dated 21.06.2007, said to have been made by the petitioner under Section 47 of the Act requesting to provide alternative employment, is pending consideration before the 1st respondent, without going into the merits of the matter, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with the following directions.

The 1st respondent, namely the Regional Manager, APSRTC, West Godavari Region, at Eluru, West Godavari District, is directed to consider the representation of the petitioner, dated 21.06.2007, for providing alternative employment in view of his medical unfitness in the light of the provisions under Section 47 of the Act and pass appropriate orders thereon, expeditiously.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

N.V. RAMANA, J.

Date:23.08.2007
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